



May the Holidays Greet you with much happiness, and the New Year contain an abundance of prosperity.

Dorsey Brothers



A Merry Christmas

TO—  
Those who are satisfied;  
Those who are dissatisfied—

SOUTHERN PAINT COMPANY



To Our Customers and Friends:

May the unpleasant things of 1928 pass forgotten into history's pages and may 1929 bring you health, peace, happiness and prosperity,  
Is our HOLIDAY GREETING to you.

ELBA HARDWARE AND FURNITURE CO.



\$2.50 IN GOLD GIVEN AWAY  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 24

at showing of special Christmas Feature  
"THE LITTLE YELLOW HOUSE"  
With Orville Caldwell and Martha Sleeper, taken from the famous book of the same name.  
Shows Start at 3 P. M. . . . . Usual Admission  
Saturday, Dec. 22—TOM MIX and his wonder horse, Tony, in "KING COWBOY"  
The greatest of all stars in his mightiest thriller.

THE ELBA THEATRE



Better Safe Than Sorry  
Make this a safe Christmas. Better to have it and not need it than to need it and not have it. Don't take chances.

F. H. Murphree Insurance Agency  
All Insurance Except Life

A SON  
A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crumpler, of New Brockton, last Sunday, Dec. 9. Mother and son are doing fine.

Miss Johnye Shealy visited in the home of her sister, Mrs. Reynolds Smart, of Brundidge, on Saturday evening. Mrs. Shealy visited in Elba on Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Mr. Mike Madlock went to Newellton morning to take part in the annual Coal Conservation tournament. He is on the extra board and it is only a matter of a short time until he will be given a regular position as agent at one of the company's stations.

Mrs. C. P. Hayes, Mrs. C. E. Dorsey and Rev. and Mrs. B. S. Franklin went to Montgomery, shopping, on Friday.

Miss Judge Page, popular teacher in Mt. Pleasant consolidated school, spent last weekend in Elba with her father, Mr. B. W. Page.

Mrs. Barney Cole and little son, Miss Margaret Ham, of Opp, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Brock, of Enterprise, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Brooks Sunday.

Mrs. Joe Holloway and little son, Joe Jr., of Greenville, are visiting Mrs. Holloway's mother, Mrs. Julia Sanders.

Mr. A. T. Harper, of New Brockton, was a pleasant caller at the Clipper office Saturday.

Mrs. Elbie Willis, Misses Joy Pease and Minnie Pearce went to Opp Saturday.

Mrs. Hinton Flowers, of Birmingham, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Lightner.

Ladies' Dress Slippers, "Peters Diamond Brand," for \$1.95 per pair, at Mays-Vaughn Mercantile Company.

7 oz. Feather Ticking for 28 cents yard. Big value! Mays-Vaughn Mercantile Company.

GREENVILLE, Ala., Dec. 18.—A pair of four babies fell from the sky on Commerce Street this morning, narrowly missing several pedestrians.

Just where came the sted is not known, but it is thought that it came either from the exhaust of a passing locomotive or from a plane.

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YEARS AND MORTALS

Before another edition of The Clipper reaches its readers the year 1928 will have passed into history, and 1929 will have started on its turn around the calendar.

The time is ripe for the time of considerable and severe criticism and carried with it the usual stigma attached to twelve-month periods in which presidential elections and campaigns are held. To all of which I add nothing, but heeded not, but marched steadily on.

Years are like that. How different from mortals. In the closing hours of a human's career every effort is made to review the worn-out one.

How much better it would be to pass on like the years—calmly indifferent—and with the knowledge that the life span allotted had been well-spent.

BANKERS AS DAIRYMEN

The following article is taken from the Opp Weekly News and contains some ideas and views that are more or less vital to the prosperity of Southern Alabama. The transformation of this section from a "cattle country" to a "milked country" must come soon. The article below should be read by everyone interested in farming:

One of our valuable subscribers, Jeff McDaniel, has written us a long letter, brought up in our office Saturday afternoon, a thought that warrants careful consideration and action along the right lines.

Mr. Donaldson said: "Our thing I would like to see our bankers begin to back in dairying in this section."

At the moment, we did not have time to discuss this matter in the manner that we should have done, but we will return to this thought so that our bankers will back dairying in this section just as soon as the farmers make it possible for them to do so.

A banker has a most responsible position to fill in the hands who have other people's money. When a banker makes a loan he doesn't take his own money out of his pocket and advance it to the borrower. He takes Jeff McDaniel's money, he takes the Martin's money, he takes the widow Stewart's money, he takes the widow McLeod's money—and from these different people he makes up the amount of the loan. That is where a bank loan comes from.

That is why a banker cannot pass a loan on anything but a tried and proven proposition. The banker must know that the money he loans—his depositors' money—is safe before he lends it.

That is why bankers cannot at this stage of the development of farmer dairying in this county advance money—back a general movement of this kind.

**Bankers Will Co-operate**

We have known, through expressions from Cleve Pierce and Charlie Mizell and J. A. Whaley, that the bankers of Opp are interested in the development of a dairy industry, but they cannot experiment with the money of their stockholders and depositors.

The farmers themselves are the ones who must do the experimental work. There are in the Opp district enough farmers who are in position to begin the dairy business on a small scale to found the industry here. It would not require more than a dozen farmers to bring into existence an infant dairy industry in Covington County.

**How It Can Be Done**

A dozen farmers could get together and purchase a carload of real dairy cattle and have them shipped in here. This would be enough cows of the right type to start the dairy industry in Covington. Other farmers, trying to help, could do the same to economically, and after putting these cows into production on their farms, the output of this number of cows would be enough to be marketed.

**NOTICE**

There will be a meeting of the stockholders of Elba Bank & Trust Company, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1929, at 2:00 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for said bank for the year 1929, and attending to such other business as may be necessary.

For heirs of M. B. Ward

13-20-27

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Lynville Spangler left Saturday afternoon for his home near Tuscaloosa. He will carry his mother and the rest of the family to Jasper, Ala., to spend the holidays with Mrs. Spangler's parents, after which they will move to Elba, about January 1st.

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Friday, Dec. 28—  
SILKS AND SADDLES  
A real feature picture, and "The Collegians," the popular series.

Saturday, Dec. 29—  
Tom Tyler in a roaring Western  
TEXAS TORNADO  
Also "Racing Blood," a rib-tickling comedy.

Monday, Dec. 31, and Tuesday, Jan. 1—  
A Fox Special Feature. Start the New Year by seeing one of the most stirring and dramatic pictures yet produced:  
ROMANCE OF THE UNDERWORLD

Directed by Irving Cummings, and featuring beautiful  
MARY ASTOR

Wednesday, Jan. 2, and Thursday, Jan. 3—  
See the screen's most ardent lovers,  
Jacqueline Logan and Francis X. Bushman in  
THE CHARGE OF THE GAUCHOS

First real Gaucho Picture ever filmed. Thousands in the mighty cast. Spectacular! Epochal! Thrilling! Don't Miss It!

Friday, Jan. 4—  
REX PERRIN, with Black Beauty, in  
THE TWO-GUN OUTLAW  
A thrilling Western spectacle. Also "The Collegians."

The Elba Theatre

Miss Blair entertains—  
John Buchanan and baby, of  
Opelika, are guests of Mrs. Buchanan's brother, Mr. B. W. Page, during the holidays.

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DOOTHAN DEFEATS  
FLORALA IN ALL STAR  
FOOTBALL GAME

By Tom McCallum  
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